

**Location:** Rockport Town Hall, Meeting Room A

**Present:** Larry Neal/Chairman, Rob Claypool, MaryAnn Lash, David McKinnon, Mel Michaels/Associate Member, Andrea Nichols/Secretary, Geralyn Falco/Conservation Agent. The Rockport Conservation Commission (RCC) is a five member volunteer board. Four voting members are present.

**Absent:** Alan MacMillan

**Citizen Inquiries:**

*Bill Merry, 13 Laurel Acres* – says that repositioned stream is full of water with no flow; believes Phragmites on town salt marsh is reason for no flow; asks what RCC can do to alleviate problem. RCC schedules site visit.

*Tom Mikus 73 Marmion Way (Green Committee Task Force)* - asks to put Committee on agenda to discuss putting solar panels at transfer station. RCC invites Committee to next meeting.

**Stewardship**

Mr. McKinnon met with Laura Hallowell and reviewed tree removal at Millbrook Meadow.

**Minutes.**

**12/02/15:** Mrs. Lash moves to approve minutes as amended; Mr. McKinnon seconds. Vote 4:0.

**Conservation Restriction (CR), co-held with Essex County Greenbelt Association** – Chris LaPointe (Director of Land Acquisition at Greenbelt) and Paul Bryant are in attendance. Mr. LaPointe explains CR (23.5 acres of agricultural land owned by Mr. Bryant, allows one (1) farm building, prohibits residential development); Greenbelt received state grant with condition that town co-hold CR; co-holding means RCC will be back-up holder in case Greenbelt goes away (then RCC holds CR); Greenbelt will monitor and enforce CR; no investment sought from town; property owner will still pay taxes. RCC will write memo to Board of Selectmen to discuss CR and requests approval.

**New Hearings**

**RDA 16-01, MBTA, Along Tracks (Map 11/Lot 21E).** *Install two (2) monopoles along railroad tracks within 100' of BVW.* (Applicant requests hearing be postponed until February 3, 2016.) No representative is present. RCC wants site visit. Chairman Neal moves to continue hearing to February 3, 2016; Mr. McKinnon seconds. Vote 4:0. Hearing is continued. **The digital voice recording of this hearing will be retained until all appeal periods have passed and all appeals resolved.**

**NOI 62-07??, Chris Trupiano, 14 McKays Drive (Map 11/Lot 52M).** *Construct addition within 100' of intermittent stream.* Mr. Trupiano is present and makes presentation; the 24 x 26 foot addition to be constructed > 50' to stream; erosion controls will be in place during construction. Site visit is scheduled for January 9, 2016. With permission from the Applicant, hearing is continued until January 20, 2016 pending site visit. Hearing is continued. **The digital**

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### Continued Hearings

**NOI 62-0718, Marion DeLuca, 122 Long Beach (Map 25/Lot 32).** *Demolish & rebuild cottage on a barrier beach.* Mike DeRosa (DeRosa Environmental Consulting, Inc.), Remko Breuker (Breuker Design, LLC) and applicant are present; Mr. Breuker presents new plan with walkway on north side of cottage removed; walkway to south side of cottage improved; snow fence to go on seawall railing during construction; mitigation for impacts to dune to be two (2) stormwater trenches, replace concrete front walkway with pervious pavers, and front lawn returned to sand. RCC ask about width of south side walkway; asks about removing invasive species from road-side of lot. Mr. DeRosa explains that applicant will return after construction with Revegetation Plan and will remove invasives then. *Daniel Heffernan, 124 Long Beach* - comments on driveway expansion and cherry tree removal; makes suggestions. *Bill Merry, 13 Laurel Acres* – asks where all sand will go. Chairman Neal moves to close hearing; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 4:0. **Hearing is closed. The digital voice recording of this hearing will be retained until all appeal periods have passed and all appeals resolved.**

### Review Orders of Conditions:

**Amendment to OC (DEP 62-0688), Andrew MacDowell, 54 Marmion Way (Map 26/Lot 90A).** Mr. Claypool moves to issue OC as written; Mrs. Lash seconds. Vote 4:0

### Other Business

- CPC Application 2016 – restoration of Sandpiper property (Map 28/Lot 20A); need to get application in on time (by February 1, 2016); need: cost analysis from DPW & others, plan, determine whether DPW can remove septic system, letters of support (DPW, Beautification Committee, BOS, Recreation Committee); project can change after application submitted;. Mr. Michaels suggests proof of ownership be included.
- **Request for Certificate of Compliance, DEP 62-0652, Joseph P. Toomey, 3 Irvana Road (Map 31/Lot 97)** Chairman Neal moves to issue CoC; Mr. Claypool seconds. Vote 4:0.
- Railroad Exemption - Agent Falco heard from MBTA that there is no exemption from WPA for activities it did when it dumped old ties and ballast near wetland; RCC to write letter requesting site visit to determine whether wetlands were impacted by this activity.

**Mr. McKinnon moves to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Lash seconds. Vote 4:0.**

**9:41 PM**

*RCC ► Meeting adjourns 9:41 PM ◄ RCC*